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Or to have any Voice or Vote in Election of any PUBLIQUE OFFICER.

BE it Enacted and Ordained by this present Parliament and the Authority thereof, and it is hereby Enacted and Ordained, That no person or persons whatsoever that hath had his Estate Sequestred, or his person Imprisoned for Delinquency, or did subscribe or abet the Treasonable Engagement in One thousand six hundred forty and seven; or hath been aiding or assisting

ſitting to the late King, or any other Enemies of the Parliament, ſhall be capable to Elect or be elected to any Office or place of Truſt or Power within this Commonwealth, or to hold or Execute any Office or place of Truſt or Power within the ſame.

And be it further Enacted, That the Commiſſioners appointed by an Act, Entituled, An Act for transferring the Powers of the Committees of Indempnity, or any three or more of them, are hereby authorized and required, calling the perſon accuſed before them, to proceed to examine, hear and determine any the Offences aforeſaid; and upon confeſſion of the party, or conviction upon Oath of two or more credible Witneſſes, which Oath the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby impowred to adminiſter, the ſaid Commiſſioners may impoſe any Fine for any the Offences aforeſaid, as they or any three or more of them ſhall think fit, ſo as the ſaid Fine exceed not the Sum of One hundred pounds, to be levied by Warrant or Warrants of the ſaid Commiſſioners or any three or more of them, by Way of diſtreſs and ſale of the Offenders goods, rendring the overplus thereof unto the Owner; And for want of ſufficient diſtreſs, to commit the party offending to the common Goal, there to remain by the ſpace of ſix Moneths without Bail or Mainprize: And all Sheriffs, Majors, Bayliffs, Conſtables, Goalers and other Officers, are required to be ayding and aſſiſting in the execution of the Warrant and Warrants of the ſaid Commiſſioners as aforeſaid; and the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any three or more of them, are hereby impowred to diſtribute any ſum or ſums of money that ſhall be raiſed by vertue of any Fine

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as aforesaid, the one moiety to the party that shall Inform and Prosecute the same, and the other moiety to the Poor of the Parish or place where the Offence shall be committed: And the said Commissioners or any three or more of them, after publishing the Discharge of such Offender as aforesaid from his said Office or place as aforesaid, shall give notice thereof to the persons whom it may concern, to the end any other person who is capable may be elected or put into the same; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for every person and persons who have right of Voting in such Elections, or the major part of them, and they are hereby enabled and required to proceed to Elect such other person or persons in his, their or any of their places or Office as are not made incapable by this Act.

Provided, That this Act or any thing therein contained, shall not extend to any person or persons who hath been or shall be unduly Sequestred, and hath been or shall be discharged of the said undue Sequestration.

Provided also, That this Act shall have continuance from the Twenty eighth day of September, One thousand six hundred fifty two, until the twenty eighth day of September, One thousand six hundred fifty five, and no longer.

Friday the 8th of October, 1652.

ORdered by the Parliament, That this Act be forthwith Printed and Published.

Hen: Scobell, Cleric. Parliamenti.

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